To: Herrera, Angeles[Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov]

From: Greg Lovato

Sent: Wed 1/13/2016 11:43:44 PM

Subject: RE: More Anaconda Press Coverage

Angeles,

There are a couple of main things I see in this article that I talked with Jim and his group about before the article that need clarification.

- 1. NDEP (and EPA) do not view enhanced evaporation as a proven reliable alternative at this point. Some of the key reason were described in the 8/26 letter proposal I sent to SPS and ARC. There is also no offer from SPS even if the pilot does work for them to operate and fund enhanced evaporation indefinitely. We have already explained this to MVEC.
- 2. The reason the listing process needs to start now is the time it takes to list and then obtain federal funds in time for 2019. That is not reflected.

If you want to send me ideas on these or other clarifications EPA would like to make I can review. We kind of have our hands full right now and I am not sure I would be able to get any kind of interim message out until Gov decides on path for response to 12/22 EPA letter.

I have time tomorrow to discuss if you would like.

Greg

From: Herrera, Angeles [mailto:Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2016 1:49 PM

To: Greg Lovato

Subject: FW: More Anaconda Press Coverage

Hi Greg,

I am assuming you have seen this article. The article contains a lot of inaccurate information but my main concern is that it presents the SPS proposal of "enhanced evaporation" as a valid option. I feel there is just a matter of time, before the agencies (EPA and NDEP) are asked our opinion about this option. Based on my conversations with you, I believe we share some concerns about it. It would be good if we can develop a joint message. Your thoughts?

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Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2016 10:12 AM

To: Seter, David; Herrera, Angeles; Ball, Harold; PerezSullivan, Margot

Cc: Rodriguez, Dante; Dirscherl, Christopher; Helmlinger, Andrew; Cafasso, Sarah

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Here is an article in yesterday's Reno Gazette-Journal.

http://www.rgj.com/story/news/local/mason-valley/2016/01/13/local-officials-support-mine-cleanup-oppose-superfund-listing/78727544/?from=global&sessionKey=&autologin=

Rusty